

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

June 27, 2014

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from June 20, 2014 – June 26, 2014. Readers are reminded that an "arrest" is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court's website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information at glose@viennava.gov)

INCIDENTS

Vandalism 14-06628 700 Block Skyline Court, NE June 14 11:03 a.m.

A resident reported a small cut on the screen of a window in the rear of his residence.

Found Property 14-06915
100 Block East Street, SE
Between June 16 at 8:00 a.m. and June 20 at 12:28 p.m.
A citizen reported a bicycle that had been left on the property.

The bicycle is being held at the Vienna Police Department until the owner can be identified.

Missing Person – Adult 14-06884 600 Block Marshall Road, SW June 19 8:59 p.m.

A resident reported their elderly relative left home that afternoon to walk to Whole Foods and had not yet returned home.

While officers were taking the report Officer Holcomb was flagged down by a citizen who had located the elderly male in Falls Church. Officer Holcomb escorted the elderly male to the Vienna Police Department where he was reunited with his family.

Suspicious Event 14-06886 400 Block Creek Crossing Road, NE June 19 10:03 p.m.

A citizen advised she saw a female driver fall out of a vehicle and believed she may be intoxicated. Officers responded to the residence and spoke to the driver and her friend who lives at the residence. The driver did not appear intoxicated. She did have a minor injury on her leg that she advised she got when she fell while getting out of the vehicle.

Police Service 14-06894 100 Block Melody Lane, SW June 19 11:54 p.m.

Officers responded to assist with a resident who was emotionally distraught over the death of a family member.

Vandalism 14-06916 500 Block Orchard Street, NW June 20 between 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported damage to her pool and backyard area. The resident had a verbal disagreement with a landscape contractor who had been doing work in their yard. The contractor became aggressive and upset with the resident and her husband. He then left the area. Shortly after the contractor left, the residents noticed the damage done in their yard.

Officers spoke to the contractor who denied intentionally doing any damage to the yard. He was advised by the officers that the homeowners do not want him to return to their property.

Suspicious Event 14-06924 300 Block Moorefield Road, SW June 20 8:00 a.m.

Residents reported damage to the back door of the residence. They believe their adult son, who lives at the residence, caused the damage because he was locked out of the house.

The residents do not want their son in their home and were referred to the Fairfax County Courthouse to begin the eviction process.

Suspicious Event 14-06911 Choice Property 360 Maple Avenue, West June 20 9:50 a.m.

An employee advised of a suspicious male who was trying to sell a generator and other equipment from the back of his pickup truck. The male provided the employee with, what he believed to be, a false identification card.

Suspicious Event 14-06918 300 Block Church Street, NE June 20 1:35 p.m.

A resident reported a suspicious male running through her backyard carrying a white sack.

Officers searched the area but were not able to locate the male. Nothing appeared to be missing from the resident's yard.

Fight 14-06926 Ware Street and Gibson Drive, SW June 20 3:00 p.m.

A resident responded to the police department with her juvenile son and advised of a physical altercation that happened between her son and another juvenile male while they were walking home from the bus stop after school.

MPO Smith spoke to the juveniles about alternate solutions for handling their disagreements.

Fraud 14-06921 Bank of America 235 Maple Avenue, West June 20 3:30 p.m.

A bank employee reported two suspicious females in the bank attempting to cash a fraudulent check. The employee recognized one of the females from a previous fraud at the bank.

The two females became impatient and exited the bank, leaving the check behind. Officers searched the area but were not able to locate the females.

This case is being investigated.

Weapon Violation 14-06920 900 Block Country Club Drive, NE June 20 3:45 p.m.

Officers responded to a report of someone shooting a BB gun at animals. Officers located a father and his juvenile son at the residence. They advised the juvenile was shooting the BB gun at a target in the backyard while the father watched him. They denied that he was shooting at any animals.

The father gave permission for the officers to check the backyard and the BB gun. The officers found no indication that any animals were injured. Both the father and son were advised of the Town Code prohibiting the firing of any BB gun or other firearms within the Town.

Telephone Case 14-06937 126 Maple Avenue, West June 20 10:32 p.m.

An employee advised a former employee called her and made threatening remarks over the telephone.

The employee did not wish to pursue charges.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-06957 Sharon Lane and Lawyers Road, NW June 21 4:03 a.m.

Officer Digan was on patrol when he observed a driver of a vehicle commit a series of traffic violations. As a result of those violations he conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment. After failing to complete a series of field sobriety tests he arrested Ms. Ingrid Noely Posada-Lazo, 25, of Drysdale Terrace in Sterling, Virginia. Her female passenger was placed in the back seat of a patrol car for safety purposes until her boyfriend responded to pick her up.

Ms. Posada-Lazo was transported to the Vienna Police Station where she was given the opportunity to provide a sample of her breath for analysis. After the analysis she was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where she was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Arrest - Solicitor 14-06968 200 Block Glyndon Street, SE June 21 10:30 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of a solicitor who did not have a Town of Vienna permit. MPO Shaw located the solicitor who admitted he was soliciting in the area.

Fabio E.J. Mugnaini, 20, of Ormandy Drive in Burke, Virginia was issued a summons charging Soliciting Without a Permit and released on his signature.

Suspicious Event 14-06971 300 Block Edwin Lane, NE June 21 11:45 a.m.

A resident reported receiving a call from an unknown man who advised her that her grandson had been arrested and that she needed to send a "money gram" wire to get him out of jail.

The resident recognized this to be a scam and reported this incident to the police instead of sending any money.

Arrest - Solicitor 14-06973 100 Battle Street, SW June 21 1:14 p.m.

MPO Evans observed a male approaching residents and speaking to homeowners. The officer spoke to the male who admitted to soliciting without a permit.

MD Nazmul Hossain, 19, of South Taylor Street in Arlington, Virginia was issued a summons charging Soliciting Without a Permit and was released on his signature.

Found Property 14-06982 300 Block Maple Avenue, East June 21 5:31 p.m.

A citizen found a bag of clothing that was left at a bus stop.

The property is being held at the Vienna Police Department until the owner can be identified.

Medical Case 14-06984 500 Block Plum Street, SW June 21 6:26 p.m.

Officer Digan responded for the report of a resident who may have been suffering from a medical emergency. Upon his arrival, Fairfax County Rescue personnel were already on scene treating the resident, who was then transported to an area hospital for further medical evaluation.

Grand Larceny 14-07000 Culinaria Cooking School 110 Pleasant Street, NW June 21 between 6:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

A citizen advised her wallet was taken from her purse while attending an event at the Culinaria Cooking School.

This case is being investigated.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 14-06991 100 Block Melody Lane, SW June 21 11:16 p.m.

Officer Tremont responded to the area for a verbal dispute between the resident and her adult son. The son had left the residence before police arrived.

A short time later police were called back to the residence when the son returned. The son was located in the area by Officer Tremont. Upon the officer's interaction with the individual he determined he was intoxicated and he arrested Mr. Jo Coste Spencer Lane, 27, of Melody Lane, SW in Vienna, for Drunk In Public.

Mr. Lane was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was to be held until he was sober.

Arrest - Alcohol Violation 14-06995 Church Street at Lawyers Road, NW June 22 1:07 a.m.

Officers responding to a report of a suspicious person located the individual on Lawyers Road near Church Street. MPO Smith spoke to the male driver who advised he and his juvenile brother had an argument and his brother got out of his vehicle and ran off.

While speaking to the driver it was apparent to MPO Smith that he had been drinking alcohol, and a bottle of vodka was found in the vehicle. The brother then approached the vehicle and officers noticed that he too had been drinking. Both males were brought to the Vienna Police Station and their mother was notified to come and pick them up.

The adult male, Nicholas Gleb Taran, 19, of Talisman Drive in Vienna was issued a summons for Underage Possession of Alcohol. Mr. Taran was released on his signature.

Open Door 14-06996 Peet's Coffee 332 Maple Avenue, East June 22 2:02 a.m.

An alarm company reported an alarm activation at this business.

Officers Digan and Herrera responded and located an unsecured door. Both officers searched the business and nothing appeared to have been disturbed.

The business was secured.

Police Service 14-07004 Vienna Police Department 215 Center Street, South June 22 11:18 a.m.

A citizen responded to the police station to turn in ammunition for destruction.

Animal Case 14-07014 400 Block John Marshall Drive, NE June 22 4:53 p.m.

A resident reported a bird in an upstairs bedroom of her residence. MPO Shaw was able to capture the woodpecker and release it outside unharmed.

Arrest – Alcohol Violation 14-07020 W&OD Bike Trail near Talahi Road, SE June 22 11:17 p.m.

While on patrol along the W&OD Trail Officer Herrera encountered a group of four people walking along the trail after dark. Two of the individuals were carrying open bottles of alcohol, which they admitted to drinking.

Ms. Anise Frida Venegas, 21, of Park Terrace Court, SE in Vienna and Mr. Ashenafi G. Cherkos, 26, of Leesburg Pike in Falls Church, Virginia were both issued summonses charging Drinking In Public. Ms. Venegas and Mr. Cherkos were released on their signatures.

Officer Herrera advised the group that the trail is closed after dark. The group then left the area without further incident.

Found Property 14-07039 100 Block Yeonas Drive, SW June 23 9:37 a.m.

A resident turned in money that had been left in an envelope in her mailbox.

The money is being held at the Vienna Police Station until the owner can be identified and make arrangements to pick it up.

Alcohol Violation 14-07068 Westbriar Drive and St. Andrews Drive, NE June 24 between 3:01 a.m. and 4:10 a.m.

Officers responded to the area to assist in the search for two individuals involved in a vehicle tampering case in Fairfax County.

Officer Tracy located two juvenile males hiding in the area. Upon his interaction with the juveniles he detected signs of possible impairment. Both juveniles admitted to the officer that they had been drinking alcohol. One of the juveniles was also in possession of a false driver's license.

The parents of the juveniles were contacted and responded to the scene. Both juveniles were released to the custody of their parents.

The false driver's license was seized by the officer. Petitions charging Underage Possession of Alcohol are pending.

Fraud 14-07084 Faith Baptist Academy 301 Center Street, South June 24 2:12 p.m.

An employee of the Church advised she received a suspicious call a few weeks ago questioning about their printer. Today the Church received an invoice for printer toner that they had never ordered or received.

Vandalism 14-07123 500 Block Glyndon Street, NE Between June 24 at 9:00 p.m. and June 25 at 6:00 a.m.

A resident reported damage to his mailbox.

Vandalism 14-07134

600 Block Blackstone Terrace, NW Between June 24 at 9:00 p.m. and June 25 at 11:00 a.m.

A resident reported damage to a tire on his vehicle that was legally parked on the roadway in front of his house.

Found Property 14-07096 Freeman House Store 131 Church Street, NE June 24 9:07 p.m.

A citizen turned in a pager that he had found behind the Freeman House Store.

The pager will be held at the Vienna Police Station until the owner can be identified.

Arrest – Narcotic Violation 14-07102 W&OD Bike Trail near Center Street, North June 24 10:10 p.m.

MPO Seitz was patrolling the area of the W&OD Bike Trail when he observed a male and female on a park bench. Upon his interaction with them, he found the male was in possession of marijuana.

MPO Seitz issued a summons to Mr. Paul Alan Hogan, 19, of Glen Avenue, SW in Vienna charging Possession of Marijuana. Mr. Hogan was released on his signature.

Both individuals were warned that the trail is closed after dark. The couple left the area without further incident.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-07108 1100 Block Cottage Street, SW June 24 11:47 p.m.

Officer Slebonick was on patrol when he observed two vehicles commit a traffic offense. He initiated a traffic stop and spoke to both drivers.

The driver of the first vehicle advised that he had been in a verbal altercation with the driver of the second vehicle, Mr. Claros, while they were at the 7-11 on Park Street near Cedar Lane. The driver of the first vehicle stated that he attempted to leave the area but Mr. Claros continued following him through the neighborhoods.

Officer Slebonick and Sgt. Farhan then spoke to Mr. Claros. Upon their interaction with him they detected an odor of alcohol and signs of possible impairment. After failing to complete a series of field sobriety tests Officer Slebonick arrested Mr. Luis Alonzo Perez Claros, 33, of Patrick Street, SE in Vienna.

Mr. Claros was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was given the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Claros was to be held until he was sober.

Grand Larceny 14-07128 400 Block Windover Avenue, NW June 25 between 9:00 a.m. and 10:52 a.m.

An employee who was working on a house under construction advised his cell phone was taken from the job site.

This case is under investigation.

Animal Case 14-07129 500 Block Valley Drive, SE June 25 11:00 a.m.

ACO Barker responded to the area for a report of two dogs running at large. The two yellow lab mixes were transported to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter to be released to their owner.

Vandalism 14-07155 Giant Food 359 Maple Avenue, East June 25 9:49 p.m.

A citizen advised she was parked in her vehicle in the parcel pick up area waiting for her daughter when an unknown male hit her vehicle with a shopping cart causing damage.

Found Property 14-07161 Vienna Baptist Church 541 Marshall Road, SW June 26 5:06 a.m.

A bicycle was found on the sidewalk in front of the Church.

The bicycle will be held at the Vienna Police Station until an owner can be identified.

Petit Larceny 14-07189 300 Block Maple Avenue, East June 26 4:00 p.m.

A citizen reported one of the license plates from his vehicle was taken.

Domestic Dispute 14-07190 100 Block Tapawingo Road, SW June 26 6:00 p.m.

A resident responded to the Vienna Police Station to report a verbal altercation that she had with her husband.

Malicious Wounding 14-07191 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE June 26 10:01 p.m.

Officers were called to a fight in an apartment. A resident advised that he was assaulted by his three roommates after he asked them to turn down their music. During the altercation one of the roommates struck the resident with a bottle causing injury to his head.

A friend of the resident was also assaulted when he attempted to stop the altercation. The three roommates fled the scene before officers arrived.

Fairfax County Rescue personnel arrived on scene to treat the resident and transported him to an area hospital for further treatment.

This case is under investigation.

CRASHES

400 Block Maple Avenue, East 14-06881 June 19 5:21 p.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue in the right lane. The driver of the second vehicle was exiting the Wendy's parking lot at 411 Maple Avenue, East when she struck the first vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle left the area without stopping to provide her information.

Orchard Street near Malcolm Road, NW 14-06907 June 20 9:18 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was on Malcolm Road, NW making a legal left turn onto Orchard Street, NW. The second vehicle is a street sweeper that was initially stopped on Orchard Street near Malcolm Road.

The driver of the second vehicle began backing up to get closer to the intersection and begin the street sweeping. That driver did not see the first vehicle turning onto Orchard Street and struck the front bumper.

300 Block Maple Avenue, East 14-06963 June 21 8:32 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was exiting the parking lot at 359 Maple Avenue, East, turning left to go westbound on Maple Avenue. The driver of the second vehicle was exiting the parking lot at 332 Maple Avenue, East, turning left to go eastbound on Maple Avenue.

The second driver stopped when she saw the first driver entering the roadway. The driver of the first vehicle did not see the second vehicle and struck it head on.

One of the drivers complained of minor injuries, but refused to be treated by rescue personnel.

212 Maple Avenue, East 14-06970 June 21 11:23 a.m.

A citizen observed the driver of the first vehicle strike the second vehicle which was legally parked and unoccupied. The driver of the first vehicle then left the scene without stopping.

The citizen provided officers with full information on the driver and their vehicle.

MPO Shaw located the driver of the first vehicle and issued him a summons charging Hit and Run.

100 Block Maple Avenue, West 14-07036 June 23 9:19 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle advised his vehicle accelerated out of control as he was leaving the carwash, located at 159 Maple Avenue, West. The vehicle crossed Maple Avenue, striking the curb on the opposite side of the road, then left the roadway and struck a tree. The vehicle continued along the sidewalk striking two legally parked, unattended vehicles and another tree.

The vehicle came to a stop against a fire hydrant. The driver suffered minor injuries. He was treated by Fairfax County Rescue personnel and released.

300 Block Beulah Road, NE 14-07050 June 23 2:43 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling southbound on Beulah Road, NE. The driver of the first vehicle stopped suddenly in traffic. The driver of the second vehicle was unable to stop in time and struck the rear of the first vehicle.

100 Block Patrick Street, SE 14-07104 June 24 11:01 p.m.

The owner of a vehicle legally parked her vehicle on private property. When the owner returned to her vehicle she discovered damage to it.

The driver of the striking vehicle did not stop to leave their information.

200 Block Center Street, North 14-07151 June 25 6:15 p.m.

The driver of a vehicle legally parked the vehicle on the southbound side of Center Street, North. When she returned to the vehicle she found damage to the front driver's side.

The driver of the striking vehicle did not stop to leave their information.

CASE UPDATES

None.

OF INTEREST/ CITIZEN NOTES

Please Note: Remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, lock the vehicle doors.

Please Note: Recently there have been reports of callers claiming to be relatives or representatives of a relative. The callers claim they have been arrested and in order to be released from jail the resident needs to wire a payment to an attorney or the jail. The payment is usually requested in the form of a prepaid debit card. This type of call is a scam. Never send a payment unless you have verified the validity of the caller.

MEDIA RELEASES

None.

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Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

See or Hear Something? Say Something! We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.

Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information on any of these cases at glose@viennava.gov or 703-255-6396.